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## THE ULSTER RIFLES IN ACTION

### Sharp Engagement Near Seoul Against Guerilla Force

#### COMMENT

Revival of the controversy over the desecration of Statue Square, the conversion (or should it be perversion?) of green lawns into a tarmac car park, inevitably stirs interest in the fate of the Abercrombie Plan.

Nothing is more certain than that Sir Patrick would have heartily condemned the Square infiltration. If there was a point of strong emphasis in his preliminary report it concerned the desirability of seizing every opportunity for creating additional open spaces in the city area, encouraging health and beauty. Destruction of one of the few existing points of pleasant environment would have been anathema to the Town Planner. Hints have been dropped that the car park between Queen's Building and the Cenotaph may not be irrevocable, that it may be restored to its former dignity. The suggestion appears to be that when the new Praya reclamation scheme gets properly under way, new space for cars provided there will permit the rehabilitation of Statue Square. Those who survey today's scene with a shudder would like more definite assurance.

Past experience does not automatically inspire confidence that when vandalistic instincts get their way, there remains hope for recovery. One reason for doubt could be the absence as far as the ordinary citizen is concerned of Sir Patrick Abercrombie's Final Report. The preliminary report was given the widest publicity more than twelve months ago. The considered findings of the expert, which presumably carried very definite recommendations, has yet to be released for public study. Sometime, somewhere what is planned for the future development of the Colony on scientific lines appears to have slipped into a pigeonhole.

When Sir Patrick visualised methodical translation of Hongkong into a modern model city over a period of fifty years, the idea was that in A.D. 2000 the task would be completed, not the round of red tape.

#### Battle For World Peace Is On

London, Nov. 5.  
Field Marshal Viscount Montgomery declared tonight that the "battle for world peace" was on and the nations were "grouping themselves for what might come."

Lord Montgomery, Chairman of the Western Union Commander-in-Chiefs Committee, was addressing the Anglo-Brazilian Society's annual dinner in London. "The trouble today is that the world is split by two conflicting ideological doctrines or moral codes," he said. "The dividing line in the West runs through the middle of Germany and cuts Europe in two. The question arises whether Europe, and Germany, can remain thus divided indefinitely."—Reuter.

#### Home Guard Being Revived

London, Nov. 15.  
Britain is to revive the Home Guard, the spare-time civilian army raised to protect Britain from invaders during the war. The Defence Minister, Mr. Emanuel Shinwell, announced this today. Plans are going ahead immediately, though he force will not be enrolled before an actual emergency arises, he told the House of Commons. Mr. Shinwell said that the first steps towards planning the new Home Guard would be the appointment of a Home Guard adviser in each Army Command to ensure that a substantial force could be enrolled, organised and armed within a few weeks.—Reuter.

#### Express Hits At Full Speed

Oslo, Nov. 15.  
Oslo's "Lightning Express" hit a goods wagon at full speed on the main Norwegian South Coast line at Hjukseboe today, killing at least nine passengers and seriously injuring 30 to 40 others. The express was practically cut in two by the impact, eyewitnesses reported. Rescue workers were still searching the wreckage tonight. They said that it was still possible that more victims would be found. The wreckage was strewn all over the line. The passengers' private belongings lay scattered about. Among them were an overcoat and a hat and a mangled doll.—Reuter.

#### Girl Born To Princess

Lausanne, Nov. 15.  
Princess Anne of Rumania, wife of ex-King Michael, today gave birth to a girl at 8.45 p.m. The baby weighed 10 pounds at birth. Both the mother and child are doing well.—Reuter.

## Icy Siberian Blasts May Paralyse Battlefront

Tokyo, Nov. 15.

Most of the serious fighting in Korea today consisted of increasing guerilla attacks behind the United Nations line just north of Seoul, the capital of South Korea, where a Royal Ulster Rifles battalion was engaged.

Guerillas also engaged a considerable number of other troops, including the recently arrived Turkish and Philippines contingents.

Staff officers predicted tonight that the guerillas would become more active as the cold-weather set in. "They will begin coming down from the hills more frequently in search of food and shelter," one officer said.

In North Korea the United Nations troops fighting on the North-West front prepared for what may be their last battle before Arctic winter conditions bring fighting to a standstill.

It seemed almost certain that only one more major effort will be possible before snow and ice stop large-scale operations. Time is running short for the United Nations troops, who are beginning to feel the effects of the cold weather, which is not yet at its bitterest.

The temperature in Seoul dropped today to 13 degrees Fahrenheit—19 degrees of frost—as the Korean winter began to set in.

Reports said that further north, on the battlefield, temperatures were several degrees lower.

An icy wind from the Manchurian mountains swept down on American, British, Australian and South Korean troops dug in on their new defence line about 10 miles north of the Chongchon River.

#### GAINS CONSOLIDATED

The United Nations forces consolidated their slight gains of the past week, enlarging their defence perimeter. They are now firmly established around the Anju bridgehead, a vital supply crossing from the south. Communist troops had again withdrawn slightly and appeared to be digging in nearer the Chinese frontier about two miles from the United Nations line.

United Nations troops, shivering with cold, were regrouping and reorganising for a fresh drive and convoys slowly picked their way up the main route to the North with supplies.

But whether any new attack would be limited or would aim at reaching the Manchurian border was doubtful—depending mainly on the extent of the Chinese Communist intervention.

British Commonwealth and American patrols pushed forward three and four miles without resistance on the left of the North-Western sector—finding in some places well-placed camouflaged positions abandoned by the enemy.

#### DEFENCE LINE

General MacArthur's briefing officer said today that the Chinese Communists—believed now to total 100,000—were constructing strong defence positions further northwest with (Continued on Page 12 Col. 1)

#### United Europe

#### With Or Without UK

Paris, Nov. 15.

The French National Assembly voted 393 to 184 on Wednesday for increased powers and authority for the 15-nation Council of Europe.

The vote came after two former French premiers, Georges Bidault and Paul Reynaud, warned of the "agency of creating a United Europe without delay, with or without British support."

The vote was taken at the end of the debate on the 51 recommendations made by the Council's Assembly in Strasbourg. Most of the recommendations were ignored by the Council's Committee of Ministers in Rome earlier this month, but the Assembly's vote amounted to a request to the French Government to continue to push for their adoption.—United Press.

#### Historic Gandhi Letters

New Delhi, Nov. 15.  
Letters from Mahatma Gandhi in his own hand to Count Leo Tolstoy and General Jan Smuts are shortly to be filmed here on microfilm brought from America.—Reuter.

## BLIZZARD RAGES IN N.E. KOREA

U.S.S. Missouri, Nov. 15.

The "Mighty Mo," its deck covered with three inches of new snow, refueled off the Korean north-east coast on Wednesday in a raging 35-mile-per-hour blizzard that cut visibility to 200 yards.

The Missouri and other Seventh Fleet units nuzzled two at a time at the sides of oil tankers pitching in 12-foot seas, while mail, personnel, ammunition and provisions were also transferred.

Winds of 55 miles per hour and temperatures of four degrees below zero failed to halt air operations aboard the carrier Philippine Seas, cruising farther north in the same waters.

Eight jets and 15 Skyraiders and Corsairs soared off the carrier's rolling decks to blast the steel-and-concrete Yalu river bridges at Hyesinjin.—United Press.

## Soviet Attempt To Blackmail Britain

London, Nov. 15.

Russia has refused to release two Britons held under detention in Germany until the British authorities hand over a Soviet officer who had sought asylum with them, a Foreign Office spokesman stated today.

The Foreign Office spokesman said that Sir David Kelly, the British Ambassador in Moscow, had made representations with Russia against the detention of a Royal Air Force officer, Flight Lieutenant John Driver, and a private soldier, Sapper John William Bennett, by the Soviet authorities in Germany.

He said the return of the men had been made conditional on the handing over of a Red Army lieutenant who had sought

asylum with the British authorities.

Flight Lieutenant Driver force-landed in the Soviet Zone of Germany because of bad weather when piloting a fighter aircraft from Britain on the night of September 5.

Sapper Bennett, a guard on a military goods train from the British Zone to Berlin, was accidentally left behind when the train halted in the Soviet Zone on the night of September 6/7.—Reuter.



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## Until The Real Thing



While getting in some training at an airfield near Seoul, South Korea, these paratroopers of the 187th Regiment, 11th Airborne Division, make practice jumps into a sand pit. Paratroopers of this group dropped over the Communist escape routes in North Korea under the personal direction of Gen. Douglas MacArthur.

## MANY STUDENTS INJURED IN ANTI-BRITISH CAIRO POLITICAL RIOT

Cairo, Nov. 15.

One Egyptian student was killed and 36 students and one policeman injured on Wednesday in a political riot aimed at getting British troops out of the Suez Canal zone. The disturbance was broken down.

The riot set a turbulent background for the opening of Parliament on Thursday. Anglo-Egyptian relations will figure prominently, and there are indications the session should be one of the most hectic in years.

The riot started when students broke into the premises of the weekly newspaper Al-Naba el Yom. Hundreds of other angry students demonstrated outside the British embassy, demanding immediate evacuation of British troops from the Suez area.

One thousand high school students paraded peacefully through the streets cheering for King Farouk and Premier Mustapha el Nahas Pasha.

In the new session of Parliament the opposition Saadist Party will challenge the Wafd Government to abrogate the Anglo-Egyptian treaty of 1936 under which Britain retained the Suez base until 1956.

### NOT PROBABLE

Sources close to the cabinet doubted that the Premier would unilaterally denounce the treaty. But he was expected to state emphatically that, in Egypt's view, the treaty had outlived its purposes and conflicted with the United Nations Charter.

Other matters which will put the Government to stern tests centre around the army and the Muslim Brotherhood, a powerful extremist organisation outlawed late in 1948 after the former Premier, Nahmud Fahmy el Nokrashi, was assassinated by a Brotherhood member.

The Wafdists have announced their intention to lift the ban on the Brotherhood despite strong opposition from other parties.

Several high army officers, including nine lieutenant generals, resigned today following the appointment of Lieutenant General Hussein Farid Bay as acting chief of staff of the army.

### PASSED OVER

Lieutenant General Fuad Sadek Pasha, former commander of the armed forces in Palestine, asked King Farouk to be placed on the retired list. Eight other lieutenant generals immediately followed suit. It was said they felt they had been passed over by one of their juniors.—United Press.

## Peking Relations With Finland

San Francisco, Nov. 15.

The People's Republic of China and the Finnish Republic have agreed to exchange diplomatic representatives, according to Peking Radio tonight.

The agreement was reached on October 28.

The Radio also reported that the Finnish Government had appointed Mr. Hugo Valvanne, its Minister to India, to serve concurrently as Minister to the People's Republic of China.

In its turn, the Republic of China had appointed General Keng Flao, its Minister to Sweden, to serve concurrently as Minister to Finland.—Reuter.

## Paper Famine In Buenos Aires

Buenos Aires, Nov. 15.

The independent newspaper La Prensa received a last-minute allocation of Newsprint today enough to enable it to continue publication for at least one more day.

Paper being unloaded in Buenos Aires harbour was made available after La Prensa announced it had run out of Newsprint.—United Press.

## Sharp Clash In Seoul

Seoul, Nov. 15.

The Korean police today arrested two men, described as "Communist leaders," after a fight, during which the suspects tried to commit suicide.

The arrested men, Rhee Rim Soo, chief secretary of the People's Labour Party, and Cho Han Yong, director of the Party Propaganda Bureau, were discovered hiding in a house in the centre of Seoul.

They attacked the policemen who arrested them and then tried to slash their wrists with knives.

The police described the People's Labour Party as "a Communist line organisation."—Reuter.



# NO MILITARY THREATS TO CHINA

## Mr Acheson's Further Assurance To Peking Reds

Washington, Nov. 15.

The Secretary of State, Mr Dean Acheson, assured the Chinese Communists again today that the United States has no military designs on them.

Mr Acheson promised that the United States will help to see that the Chinese Communist interests along the Manchurian-Korean border are protected. He spoke to representatives of a number of American organisations gathered at the State Department, but his words were clearly intended for the Chinese Communist leaders.

"Everything possible must be done to reassure them that we have no ulterior designs on Communist China. Their proper hydro-electric interests will be taken care of. If the Communists have been led by ignorance or by some other means to precipitate a really grave crisis in the world, then that must be met by all determination and by all soberness and by all wisdom at our command. We hope that is not the case. It would be a tragedy of the most colossal nature if that were so, and therefore we must explore carefully and wisely every possibility of ending this Korean aggression in accordance with the principles of the Charter of the United Nations."

Mr Acheson's plea for a peaceful settlement of the border situation was supported by the Under-Secretary of State, James Webb, and Mr Dean Rusk, assistant Secretary of State for Far Eastern Affairs.

### REAL QUESTION

All emphasised the delicate nature of the situation. Mr Webb said there is a real question whether military force could be effective in dealing with the Chinese Communists.

Mr Rusk, however, said the United Nations could not accept Communist penetration of all Korea if that is what the Chinese Communists want. He did not rule out the creation of a buffer zone between the United Nations forces and the Yalu River.

Mr Acheson, speculating that the Chinese Communists may have moved into North Korea partly to protect that vital hydro-electric installation on the Yalu River, said the United States has the world's best record for settling border water disputes. Mr Acheson referred only briefly to his domestic critics. He said with a chuckle, "Despite some rumours, to the contrary I am looking forward to further years as Secretary of State."—United Press.

## Tito Agrees To Loan Conditions

Belgrade, Nov. 15.

Marshal Tito has approved the American plan to give Yugoslavia an estimated \$20,000,000 immediately in emergency food relief under the United States mutual assistance act, thereby linking his country to the nations pledged to combat Soviet aggression.

Marshal Tito has informed the United States Embassy of his agreement to the four stipulations which the American Congress insists that every nation benefiting from MAP must accept in advance.

Marshal Tito thereby accepted the policies and purposes of the act aimed at combating Soviet aggression. Diplomatic observers regard the American-Yugoslav agreement as being as close to a "treaty" as possible without formally being one.—United Press.

## Children To Be Sent Home

Lake Success, Nov. 15.

The General Assembly's main political committee decided on Wednesday, by a vote of 53, with the five Soviet bloc nations abstaining, to establish a three-nation standing committee to assist in the early repatriation of Greek children evacuated to Communist countries during the Greek civil war.

The resolution was proposed by Australia, Denmark and France.

Between 20,000 and 30,000 Greek children are believed to be involved. The Committee would consult with representatives of Communist nations which have held the children since they were taken from their homes during the civil war.

The resolution also calls upon the States involved to co-operate with the United Nations Secretary-General and International Red Cross organisations for the return of the children to their native land.

The overwhelming vote of approval ensured that the measure would gain the two-thirds majority required for passage by the General Assembly.

A series of amendments submitted by Mr Semyon Tsarapkin of Russia was defeated by a large vote. Mr Tsarapkin declared that no country of the "people's democracies" wanted to hamper the children's return under proper conditions, but he added that the choice should be left to the children and their parents.

A heavy majority of speakers had branded the Communist countries for "kidnapping" the children and "holding them as hostages" and praised Yugoslavia as the only nation affected to initiate action in line with the United Nations aims regarding return of the children.—United Press.

## Brave Soldier—And Stubborn One

Korea, Nov. 15.

Sergeant Noel (Doc) Tampling, of the Australian Army Medical Corps, is a brave man—and a stubborn one. He advanced alone under Communist sub-machine gun fire to rescue a book.

It happened during the Allied retreat to the Chongchon river line in north-west Korea.

The Australian battalion's medical aid post had been set up in a roadside ditch south of Pakchon where Captain B. H. Gandevis, R.A.A.M.C., Sergeant Tampling and two other corporals treated wounded by the light of a trouble lamp, borrowed from a three-ton lorry.

The Communists broke through and forced another retreat. The medical aid post was abandoned. The ditch dispensary only when machine-guns are forced from back. But Doc Tampling discovered that a sick report book had been left behind.

A less sophisticated soldier would have left that little



While the snowbirds in the north are getting ready for winter, Lara Farmer of the Rio Grande Valley, Texas, dons her winter costume to help harvest a record grapefruit crop.

## World Food Situation Fairly Good

Washington, Nov. 15.

The Food and Agricultural Organisation Council reported today that the world food situation in 1949-50 was fairly good and the outlook for the current year was even better despite the Korean situation.

It cautioned, however, "Relative improvement in the world's food position should not lead to relaxation of effort. The main task of the FAO and member nations, increasing food production, improving distribution and raising nutritional standards, still lies ahead."

The survey was drawn up by an 11-member drafting committee and was adopted by the Council as an official statement on the current world food situation. The problem of the dollar gap remained serious, but in general the output of plant products was by and large maintained or increased and this,

plus the residual effect of the harvest of 1948, made it possible to extend the livestock industry.—United Press.

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## CANADIAN POLICY IN FAR EAST

Windsor, Ontario, Nov. 15.

The Canadian Minister for External Affairs, Mr Lester B. Pearson, said here he hoped that Canada would not be asked to support any expansion of United Nations military operations in Korea unless and until it was clear that Chinese Communist force had been sent to Korea on more than a protective and border mission.

Mr Pearson outlined the Canadian Government's Far East policy in a speech here last night.

Canada felt the Korean fighting should be confined and localised, he said. If that was not possible the policy "should avoid giving anyone else an excuse for extending it."

Mr Pearson said that the problems behind the troubles in Asia should not be forgotten. There could not be continuing tranquillity in Asia until a start had been made on improving the well-being of its people.

Technical assistance to the under-developed countries offered one of the most political and promising ways of eliminating the poverty in Asia, on which Communism fed and fattened, he said. He urged that any defensive military operations close to the Communist State borders should be conducted so as to reduce any fear of those countries.—Reuter.



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# Reds' Strategy Aims At Dispersing Western Strength

## Diversion In The Far East

### The Primary Object

London, Nov. 15.

The British authorities believe the pressure against Korea and Indo-China plus the ferment breeding along India's northern border stems from one source alone—Russia.

They attribute all three to Soviet strategy aimed at dispersing the West's rearmament efforts by diversionary tactics.

The British point to:

1. The fact the Chinese Communists are in possession of large tracts of North Korean territory and are apparently determined to hold them—if need be by bringing up the whole Manchurian army.
2. French Military authorities in Indo-China are preparing for a siege of Monca, last big French outpost left on the Chinese frontier. The French may have to abandon Monca on the north east tip of Indo-China on Red China's border because of pressure from Vietminh forces trained, supplied and backed by the Chinese Communists in Yunnan province.
3. India's northern frontier stretching 2,000 miles through the Himalaya region from Kashmir in the west to Burma in the east in ferment created by the Chinese Communist invasion of Tibet.

#### RUSSIAN INSTIGATION

The British authorities said that under terms of the Sino-Soviet treaty signed in February there was every reason to believe that anything China did in Manchuria would be with the consent, if not instigation, of Russia.

On the Indo-China situation the records here show that a liaison headquarters for the Red Chinese and Soviet mission was established in August at Nanning, southernmost terminal of the Hankow railway. Evidence of Sino-Soviet co-operation was further substantiated by the official Chinese disclosure that "direct passenger and freight railway service is now open between Manchuli on the Sino-Siberian border, and Nanning."

Soviet engineers were also reported to be supervising the construction of a major airfield between Nanning and the Soviet border.

According to the British authorities, the Red Chinese march into Tibet was proceeding on the same political context followed by the ancient Czarist regimes which used China as the "bear's paw" reaching out toward India. Like the Russian-backed Mongol invaders centuries ago, the

Chinese Reds today are sponsoring the Panchen Lama as the means of securing suzerainty over Tibet.

#### NEW SUPPLY ROUTES

British intelligence files show the progressive development of important supply lines between China and Russia. The Soviet-Chinese Aviation Company has opened routes from Alma Ata in Kazakhstan to Lanchow in Kansu province, south of Peking across the Sinkiang desert

and between Chita in Siberia, Harbin and Mulden to Peking.

A trade route has been developed between Tacheng, in north west Sinkiang, and Lanchow. This was an overland route which the Soviets use to send materials from China to Chengtu thence to Lanchow, Hami and on to Serigapol in Russia.

The Red invaders from Sinkiang were said also to be making their way in the direction of Kashmir across the Koram Passes in Ladakh province. Indian reports said these marauders had appeared in strength about 200 miles north of Simla early last month.—United Press.

## UN To Consider Charges

### Taipeh

Lake Success, Nov. 15.

The Political Committee voted today to grant Nationalist China's request to take up charges by Chiang Kai-shek that Soviet Russia is guilty of aggression against China, and postponed the discussion on Formosa. The vote was 14-8 with 36 abstentions.

This move put Nationalist China's charge ahead of the regularly listed agenda item—Russia's charge that the United States has committed aggression against China.

The vote to postpone the Formosa discussion was 53-0 with five abstentions.

The Russian delegate, Jacob Malik, said there was no point in postponing the Formosa discussion until the arrival of the Chinese Communist delegation. "I have serious doubts as to the participation of the delegation of the People's Republic of China in this matter," he said, and then moved that the Committee take up the Peking complaint backed by Russia that the United States has committed aggression against China.

Mr Malik said that the Peking envoys should be invited to participate in this debate.

#### A MISINTERPRETATION

The U.S. delegate, Mr John Foster Dulles, replied, "I never said that the debate should await the arrival of the Chinese Communist delegation. I believe my words have been deliberately misinterpreted by the Soviet delegate. I did say that because of Chinese intervention in North Korea, their aggression in Tibet, their activities in Indo-China and threats to Formosa, the whole area might be engulfed in war. Then our discussion here would be academic. I thought if we proceeded with this debate we might by accident say something about this delicate problem in the committee which might make more difficult the problem of security."

Nationalist China suggested that the Committee reconsider its complaint that Russia endangered the peace of the Far East by its aid to Communist China, and a vote was taken. Brazil proposed that the Committee adjourn until next Monday, halting its meetings while the General Assembly is in session.—United Press.

#### Wore Nightie In Night Club

Sydney, Nov. 15.

When a model wore a nightgown to a Sydney night club to win a bet, many people complimented her on her beautiful evening gown.

"No one recognised it as a nightie," said the model, Miss Joan Allerton, 25, of Caulfield, Victoria.

"Probably the colour of the nightgown—a very sheer, flamingo-coloured gown made of nylon tricot—tricked most people," she added.—Reuter.

#### Trams Running In Seoul

Seoul, Nov. 15.

Koreans cheered and waved flags today as the first trams to go into commission here since the city's liberation on September 27 clattered through the streets.

Long queues formed for the first few trams now running again.

Almost all overhead wires in the city were knocked down during the street fighting and the power plant was badly damaged by shelling.—Reuter.

#### Anti-Biotics On Restricted List

Washington, Nov. 15.

The Commerce Department announced today that exports of all sulfa drugs and antibiotics, such as penicillin and streptomycin, after Nov. 19 must be made under licence for reasons of national security.

Shipment in transit before Nov. 19 will be permitted to continue to their destinations without validated licences except to Russia, her satellites and to Hongkong and Macao.—United Press.

#### AIMS OF EASTERN GERMANY

Berlin, Nov. 15.

Introducing his new Cabinet to the East German Prime Minister, Dr Otto Grotewohl, fore-shadowed fresh efforts "to help the West German population to throw off the imperialist yoke."

"We will never accept the Schuman Plan or recognise the Atlantic Pact or any other aggressive pact, including the Marshall Plan," he declared.

"The entire German people must have the opportunity to decide on the Prague proposals," Dr Grotewohl added. "We shall never leave the people of Western Germany to find their own salvation. We shall aid them to shake off the imperialist yoke."

"All classes of our people are increasingly demanding negotiations and a referendum on remilitarisation and the Prague proposals," he said.

Earlier he had introduced his new Cabinet to Parliament. It included five instead of the three Deputy Prime Ministers in the previous Government.

He said of the Cabinet's aims: "We will never accept the Schuman Plan."

He warned the Evangelical Church in East Germany—which has 15 million adherents—to stop its "attitude of non-cooperation." "The East German Government will no longer tolerate anti-State attitudes by the Soviet Zone Church but will welcome the Church to stand on its side," he said.

According to Leipzig Radio, Dr Grotewohl today said that his new Government would take steps to initiate talks between the East and West Zones on the setting up of a Constituent Council for the whole of Germany.—Reuter.



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# "FOREIGN" INTERVENTION IN

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## Purge Of East German Socialists

Berlin, Nov. 15.  
East Germany's dominating Socialist Unity Party today announced a "thorough purge of bourgeois and Social Democratic elements" within the ranks of the Party.

The purge, which will be carried through by an exchange of Party cards for new ones, will take place over six months, between January and June, 1951. Party Headquarters declared in a communique to the press.

"In this period every member and candidate member of the Party will be questioned. Only he is satisfactory will be given a new Party card," the communique said.

"Party members who are unable to understand the policy of the Party but who otherwise prove to be honest citizens will not be given a new Party book," said.

Other categories would be relegated to candidate status. Today was celebrated throughout East Germany as the day of "fight against the Schumanism." Party slogans called on East and West Germans to prevent a fratricidal war by ending the "American warmongers."—Reuter.

## Effective Aid to Tibet Out Of Question

New York, Nov. 15.  
The Herald Tribune editorial on Wednesday: "There is moving dignity in the United States' appeal to the United Nations which does not fall on ears... Yet effective action is difficult to plan. The Chinese sovereignty remains a bar, and there is no national interest to commit surmounting. India, on one hand, is most closely tied and, on the other hand, alone supply troops and of access for military de- But India has shown no to move. Without Indian ship, the United Nations rendered helpless by geography alone...."

day must come when the United Nations can in fact intervene to prevent violent aggression and overthrow it any that it may occur. But asks it has already taken in are great, and only as they slowly accomplished will possibility of real world or- own."—United Press.

## Turkish Destroyers Visiting Greece

Athens, Nov. 15.  
Turkish destroyers, the Samsun and the Sayanhisar, sent on a Mediterranean tour, arrived in Phaleron Bay for a three-day visit with the Greek fleet.

Phokion Zaimia, the Navy Minister, is giving a reception tonight in honour of the officers.—Reuter.

## NEPAL REVOLT?

### Mystery Elements Said To Have Intervened

London, Nov. 15.

The Indian High Commissioner in London, Mr. V. K. Krishna Menon, has kept the British Government fully posted with all information available to the Indian Government over developments in Nepal.

Mr Menon has seen Mr Clement Attlee, the Prime Minister, more than once during the week and Mr Patrick Gordon Walker, the Commonwealth Relations Secretary, three times.

According to well-informed sources, the Government of India is understood to have told the British Government that, according to their information, the insurgents in Nepal have derived their strength both in men and arms from within the State.

The Government of India have insisted that there is no question of any part of Indian territory being used by the insurgents as a base for insurgent operations.

The Nepalese Ambassador in London, General Shanker Shamshere Jung Bahadur Rana, was present at an Indian Embassy function last evening. He was seen having a long and friendly conversation with the Indian High Commissioner.

While nothing is known of what transpired between the two, it is known that the Nepalese Ambassador here takes the view that the present trouble in Nepal is due to foreign intervention.

#### MYSTERY ELEMENTS

Nepali Embassy circles refuse to elaborate on this reference to foreign intervention, whether they refer only to the large Nepali elements resident in India and who have been carrying on some sort of political agitation for reforms in Nepal for some time now, or to active support from foreign elements, not necessarily Indians.

General Shanker denied tonight that he has urged the British Government to press the Indian Government to refrain from assisting the Nepali Congress insurgents.

He was commenting on an Indian newspaper report from Katmandu that a radio message had been sent to him asking him to see the Prime Minister and seek his good offices in the matter.

He told Reuter that he had not seen Mr Attlee and his only visit to the Foreign Secretary, Mr Ernest Bevin, was to acquaint Mr Bevin with the fact that King Tribhuvan had been deposed and had been succeeded on the throne of Nepal by his three-year-old grandson.

#### ACROSS THE BORDER

"Britain is our oldest ally," he said. "Naturally she is concerned with affairs in our country. We respect her goodwill. The Indian Prime Minister, Pandit Nehru, has said that his Government is not going to intervene in Nepal. That is a very friendly gesture which we all appreciate."

Talking of the insurgent movement, General Shanker said: "These Nepalese Congress raiders have come from across the Indian border as they themselves say."

"They carry arms and ammunition which cannot be found in the open market in Nepal or, for that matter, in India. How can anybody believe that they are an underground movement?"

"The Nepalese Congress Party's members are not numerous inside Nepal, though there are sporadic elements. Outside, however, they have a very good following."

"Unless the raiders get reinforcements and arms from outside, they will be no match for the Government forces. They will be mopped up. Once the insurrection is crushed the Government will take whatever steps the situation demands."

The Ambassador, who is himself a brother of the Prime Minister of Nepal and a cousin of the ex-King, denied that there was a quarrel between the Ranas and the King's family. "For more than a hundred years the King has had no hand and no voice in the Government of Nepal. The King is completely outside politics and cannot demand any powers."—Reuter.

#### REPORTS UNFOUNDED

London, Nov. 15.

Reports from Nepal that the Nepalese Ambassador to Britain is being instructed to urge Mr Ernest Bevin to advise India against aiding the Nepalese Congress troops are regarded here as premature at the best and probably unfounded.

It is known that the Nepal question has been constantly reviewed in New Delhi between British and Indian officials.

Observers in London believe that Britain has already disapproved of any external support for the Nepali Congress movement.—Reuter.

## Steamer's SOS

The Hague, Nov. 15.

The Greek steamer Souliotis, giving its position 48.16 North and 05.32 West, has asked for tug-boat assistance because water has entered its engine room and two of its holds, according to a radio message picked up here.

The French tug-boat, Abeille-125, is expected to reach the Souliotis by about 8.00 p.m. tonight, the report added. No further details were given.—Reuter.



Carolyn Collins finds it mighty easy to make friends with this fine horse after donning western togs in New York. Carolyn was selected by noted artists as the "Girl of the Golden West," and she's wearing a really "fence-y" outfit.

## "MacArthur to Blame If War Breaks Out In Next Few Months"

London, Nov. 15.

Lord Chorley, a Labour peer, said tonight that General MacArthur must bear much of the blame if a third World War should break out in the next few months.

Speaking during a foreign policy debate in the House of Lords, Lord Chorley said "The conquest of North Korea played directly into the hands of those who have been promulgating the view that the United States particularly and the English-speaking world have imperialist designs in the Far East."

"MacArthur is a brilliant soldier but not a great statesman," he said. "If there is a third World War in the next few months, MacArthur will have to share a great deal of the responsibility for bringing it about."

He did not elaborate. The Marquess of Salisbury, Conservative leader in the Lords, said American and British diplomacy had failed

because they tended to write off as hopeless, attempts to convince Russia that the West wants peace.

#### ASIA SMOULDERING

Lord Salisbury supported the Government in trying to get Communist China into the United Nations and said that if this had been done sooner he doubted whether the Korean war would have started or that the Chinese would have invaded Tibet.

He added: "Asia can go on smouldering for quite a time without bringing about a general conflagration."

"In Europe, any unconsidered act either by Russia or the Western Allies is liable to unleash immediately a general conflict."—United Press.

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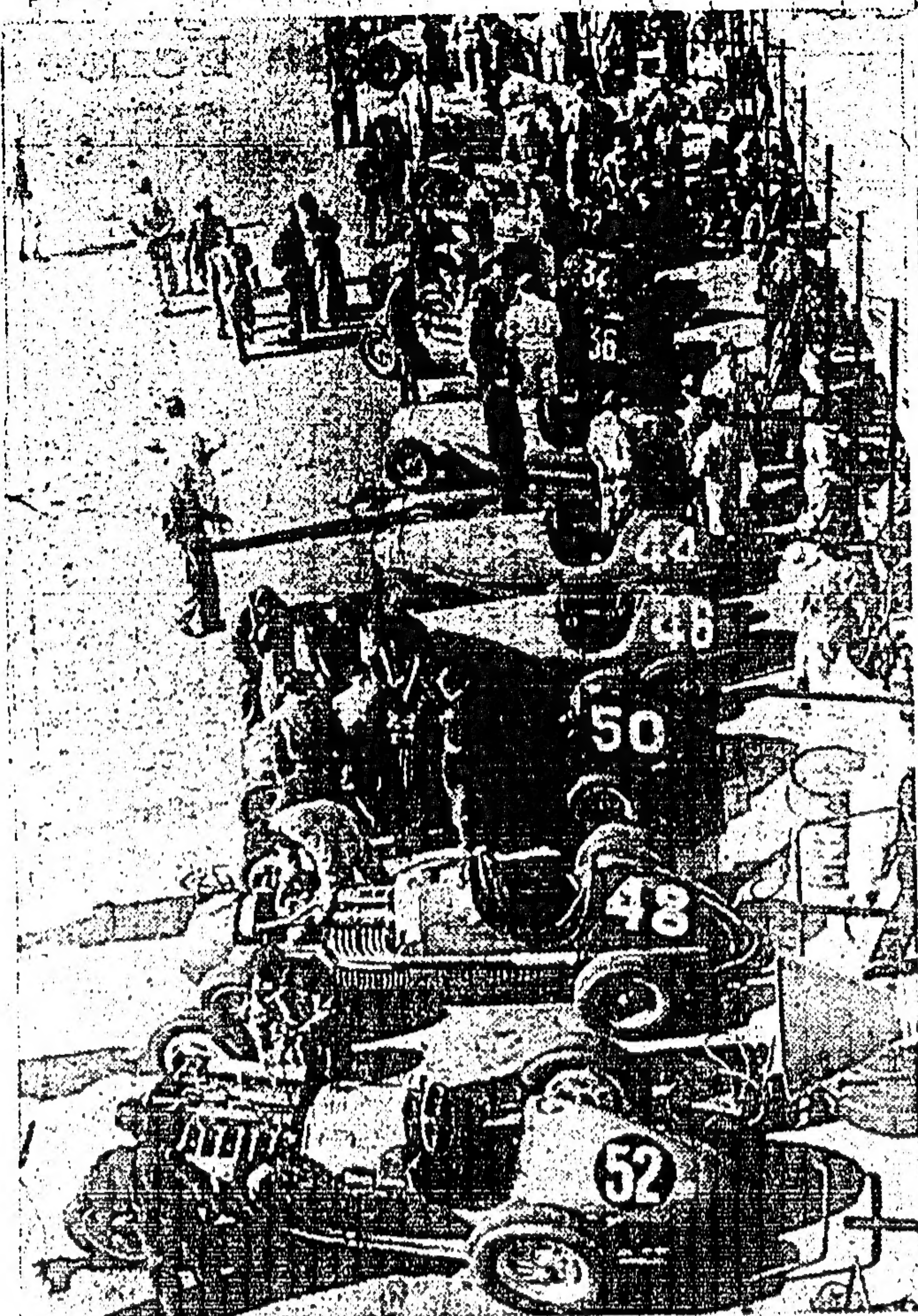
Some Yolk!

By Ernie Bushmiller





## BARCELONA GRAND PRIX



Some of the competitors waiting to start in the International Grand Prix 197 mile race in Barcelona. It was from this event that Britain's famous BRM racing cars, which cost £200,000 to build, were forced to retire. There were two entries but both withdrew with engine trouble after bad starts.—Express.

## But, Was Mr Hart's Decision Logical?

## Yes, The Referee Has The Right To Stop A Fight

Says ARCHIE QUICK

Is a boxing referee within his rights to stop a fight and declare a man the winner because his opponent has no chance? Of course he is, but few dare to take the courageous step Mr Jack Hart did at the Empress Hall, London, when he brought the all-negro contest between Aaron Wilson and Lloyd Barnett to a summary conclusion.

Wilson, American domiciled in Paris and the uncrowned heavyweight king of Europe, was declared the winner in the seventh of a ten rounds contest because the referee considered his Jamaican opponent was too far behind.

It was nevertheless a remarkable decision because Barnett had never been off his feet, was as strong at the finish as the start, and has one previous notable example in his favour—when he upset the odds laid on Earl Walls. It is quite feasible that he could have won this fight in the last three rounds other than on points.

Barnett's manager, Mr Arthur Boggis, is to appeal to the British Board of Control.

## UNUSUAL

Another unusual feature of the evening's programme was the first bout ever between a

## Pakistan Hockey Tour Of Europe

Paris, Nov. 15.

The Pakistan hockey team, who are unbeaten so far on their European tour, left here by air for Amsterdam today.

Their game with a local Paris team, which they won 5-0, gave them good practice for their forthcoming matches in Holland, Belgium, and England.

They will play Holland on Saturday and will fly to Brussels on Sunday to play the Belgian national team. — Reuter.

black and a white African. Roy Ankarah, from the Gold Coast, forced Tony Lombard of Johannesburg to retire but his rating as a world championship contender was exploded as a myth.

He has beaten Luis Romero. It is true, but apart from being a non-stop punching machine he showed little skill. He has plenty of time for improvement, but at the moment is more than crude.

One boxer I did like was Paddy Slavin from Belfast. In knocking out the fancied Johnnie McLeavey, Slavin put himself right in the forefront of the heavyweight scene. He is beautifully muscled and must be considered a menace to the best of them.

Some of the evening's fighting was televised and I am sorry to have to report that this was made the opportunity by some of the boxers and the crowd alike to posture in front of the cameras like film stars.

We had boxers looking away from their job in hand so that they could get in a profile. I suppose, had we had spectators standing in their seats while contests were proceeding for the benefit of the old folks at home. This cannot be tolerated. A boxing hall is a boxing hall and not a film studio, even if all the props are there.

## Trevor Ford Shines

## ENGLAND HAVE TO FIGHT FOR THEIR 4-2 VICTORY OVER WALES AT ROKER PARK

### One Of The Best Internationals Seen For Some Time

Sunderland, Nov. 15.

England had to fight for their 4-2 victory over Wales at Roker Park here today in one of the best international soccer matches seen for some time.

The football all through reached a high standard.

Wales matched England's cleverness with more thrust in attack and they put up a grand fight. Seldom was the ball ballooned aimlessly.

England still lacked that little bit of "devil" in their final movements. They progressed well up to the penalty area but often spoiled this fine approach work by over-elaboration.

Eddie Bailey, of Tottenham Hotspur, on a day when most players impressed stood out above them all. His ball control was perfect and he covered a vast amount of ground.

Bailey's club colleague, Medley, on the left wing, did not touch his best form, but the combination was ever dangerous. Of the other new England caps, Lionel Smith (Arsenal), left-back, appeared to saunter through the match doing nothing wrong, but Leslie Compton, the centre-half, looked far from happy. In the air he was supreme but on the ground Trevor Ford repeatedly beat him.

## BEST IN BRITAIN

Ford led the Welsh attack splendidly and showed that with adequate support he is probably the best centre-forward in Britain today.

Wales, who missed Burgess at left-half, did most of their attacking on the left, where Watson, deputising for Wright, was weak in tackling.

In the Welsh defence, Daniel, the new cap, had a better match than his Arsenal colleague, Compton, but then England's centre-forward, Milburn, was not as dangerous as Ford.

England took the lead after 35 minutes when Bailey picked up a long pass from Smith and netted from 20 yards. Bailey scored again just before the interval.

Wilt Mannion gathered a loose ball following a free kick and passed to the inside-left, who shot as he fell.

## HEADED THROUGH

Five minutes after the resumption, Ford headed through for Wales in a breakaway. Ford turned up everywhere for a spell and harassed the English

defence, but England were not to be denied after going close on two occasions. Twenty-three minutes after the interval Mannion took a through pass from Milburn and slipped the ball into the net.

With 17 minutes to go Ford got Wales' second after a goal-mouth scramble. Milburn scored England's fourth goal to clinch

the issue a few seconds from the final whistle.

The England Selectors are likely to make any changes in the match against Yugoslavia at Highbury next Wednesday. The only probable change is that Watson, at right-half, who Compton may be given another chance on his own ground. — Reuter.

## Ezzard Charles Is Waiting On Father Time

Says CORNELIUS RYAN

Ezzard Charles is shaping a course which plainly indicates he believes Father Time will eliminate Louis from the heavyweight scene.

Charles is World Champion now, no matter what Lee Savold may claim, and he can call the tune. When Louis hinted he might cancel his retirement, which was announced in the dressing room after his beating Ezzard, Charles showed no interest.

"We'll wait and see what Joe does," he said. "We'll see if he really will try for another chance. If he earns it, he probably will get it. But I doubt if Louis would have granted me a return bout if Joe had won. Joe didn't promise me another chance, and refused to sign a return-bout contract. So now he'll have to wait."

## A HARDER TIME

Charles is going to have a harder time achieving box-office success than ring success. At first glance, it would seem that a return bout with Louis would be a big-money match, with perhaps a half-million dollars for television and radio rights alone. But would it? Louis was badly beaten by Charles in September, and a quick return bout would be a failure. Joe will have to restore his drawing power by scoring a few impressive knockouts. He hopes to start that kayo string against Cesar Brion of Argentina at Chicago on Nov. 29, but he may have trouble. Brion is slow and awkward, but he is big and strong and can punch. Louis' reflexes are slow, and if he misses his early chances against Brion, the youngster may cause an upset. Then Louis will fight at Detroit against Lee Oma or Vern Mitchell, and then in New York. It seems unlikely he will be impressive, or even win, all three.

And if he does, he will be past 37 when he meets Charles again next summer.

Meanwhile, Ezzard must defend his title against such a tight-heavyweight Nick Barone, which certainly is not a flash match.

Charles probably hopes Brion or Oma or Rocky Marciano can knockout Louis. There would be real money in a title fight with the man flattened Louis. — United Press.

## Five-Day Test Against India & South Africa

London, Nov. 15.

The Test matches against South Africa and India in England during 1951 will be of five days each.

This was announced at meetings of the Board of Control and the Advisory Cricket Committee at Lord's today, when it was agreed to extend for two more years the experiment begun against West Indies last summer.

Subject to their agreement, South Africa will have Tests next year and India Tests in 1952.

Another important decision concerned declarations of first day of three-day Tests. Since the war a declaration has been allowed to declare a match 300 or more runs in progress will be allowed to declare at any time on a day. This will not apply to Tests. — Reuter.

## No Statement On Farr-Wilde Fight Inquiry

London, Nov. 15.

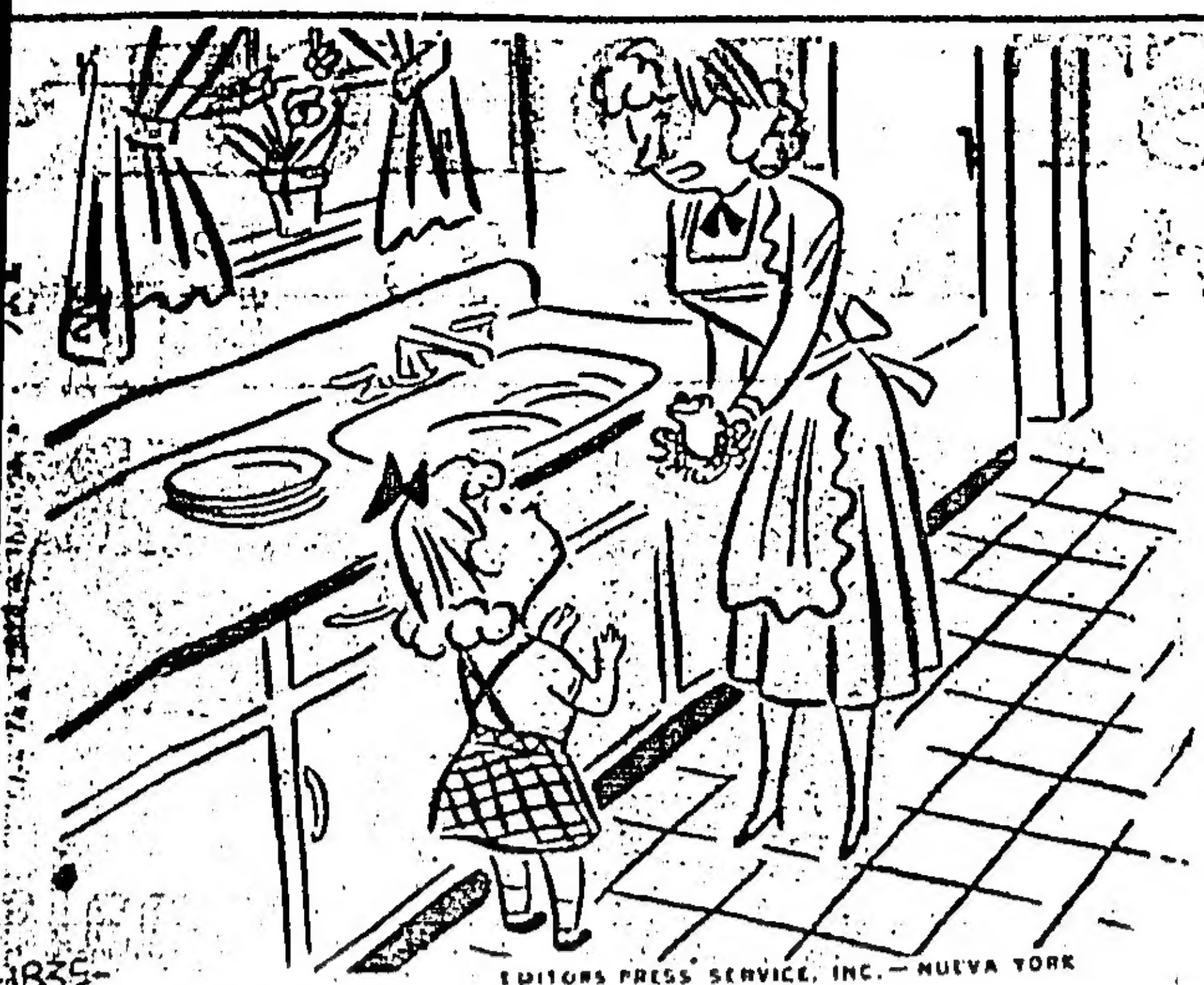
No official statement is to be made as a result of the inquiry held today by the British Boxing Board of Control on the recent Tommy Farr-Piet Wilde fight.

After a meeting lasting nearly three hours, Mr Teddy Waltham, secretary of the Board, told the press that no official statement would be made.

The inquiry was held in private.

Farr knocked out Wilde, the Belgian Heavyweight Champion, in the third round of their 10-rounds bout at Leicester on November 6 and following some disturbance in the hall it was decided to hold an inquiry as Wilde stated that he had beaten the count. — Reuter.





"Now you return Ricky's frog and tell him you're not ready to be engaged yet."

## SECRET INSIDE INFORMATION

By 'Mercury'

Secret clauses in the Soviet-Chinese treaty are forcing General Mao Tse-tung to carry out Russian policy of aiding North Korea.

This is reported by the Indian Ambassador in Peking, who says China is dependent on Moscow.

Soviet officials have taken charge of all Chinese railways and are standardising them to the Russian system.

A Chinese atom expert has been detained in Japan. China will protest to the United Nations.

The United States fears a glut of rubber in 1951 with 100,000 tons of surplus stocks.

The glut results from heavy buying and intensive output of artificial rubber.

The Mongolian People's Republic, Soviet puppet state, has sent five of its ten cavalry divisions to North Korea.

Refusal of China to commit more troops without air cover has been overcome by increased Soviet fighter sorties.

China hoodwinked India into believing she would keep Tibet as a buffer state. The Indian Ambassador in Peking will be recalled.

Long term evacuation of Moscow has already started. Government archives and some machinery are being moved into Central Russia.

The plan provides for removal of six million from the Moscow area in the event of war.

There will be no strong action by the United Nations against the Chinese penetration of Tibet. Mr. Bevin discussed the problem with President Truman during his recent visit to the United States.

Turkey will take reprisals if Bulgaria sends more Moslems across her frontiers.

Vampire jet fighters will become standard equipment for the New Zealand air force early next year.

Horse racing in Rumania has been nationalised.

A privately-owned horse that won the Rumanian Derby from nationalised runners-up was disqualified and its owner was warned off.

The British Defence Ministry, confronted at shortage of civil defence recruits, is studying plans for reviving the wartime Home Guard.

Molotov, flying between Prague and Peking, is trying

to keep up pressure on the Allies on both European and Asian fronts.

General Hossbach, who was sacked by Hitler, is likely to become West German Defence Chief after the dismissal of Count von Schwerin.

Hossbach has been in London for private discussions on European strategy.

Poland and Czechoslovakia have been permitted to send military attaches to the East German police army.

Portugal has declined to increase her Atlantic defence commitment until Spain is included in the Western defence zone.

General Franco has appealed to the United States for wheat and coal shipments.

There are now four Russian armoured divisions in Hungary.

All British Middle-East squadrons will be re-equipped with jet Meteor fighters next year.

After discovering serious scandals, the Greek government intends to make embezzlement of public funds punishable by death.

The British Coal Board will publish a 15-year plan for re-organising the industry.

Britain is already negotiating to increase her trade representatives in Spain.

They will join British Consular Staff in several cities.

The Egyptian Commander-in-Chief may resign over the arms purchase scandals.

## FOR THE BUSINESSMAN

### Trade Increase In South-West China Claim By Peking

San Francisco, Nov. 15.

Trade in South-West China and the steel rolling industry in Shanghai featured as subjects of comment by Peking Radio tonight.

It said that trade in staple products common to South-West China had become brisk. These products included wood oil, bristles, raw silk, hemp, medicines, hides and skins.

The quantity of such products sent via Chungking in the past nine months was four times that of the whole of last year. Large amounts of these goods had gone from Chengtu for sale in other markets by way of the Szechuan-Shansi highway.

The broadcast said that this domestic trade boom had been aided by the opening of sea ports along China's coasts, by the complete ending of "bandits" in South-West China, and by the restoration of land and water communications. At the same time, assistance had come from the People's Government which had helped in marketing local products and reducing shipping freight.

It was further reported that the steel rolling industry in Shanghai was now on its way to complete recovery with the assistance of the People's Government.

Beginning in April this year, the East China Department of Industry had placed buying orders with many private steel rolling mills in Shanghai in a planned way. Resulting from this all State-owned and private mills in Shanghai had been able to start work again.

The broadcast added that in carrying out its policy of adjusting relations between public and private enterprise, the East China Department of Industry had made a sensible distribution of purchasing orders and supplied private factories with enough steel to meet their requirements.

The result was that the steel output of such factories registered, in August, an increase of 166.7 percent against the April figure. Furthermore, the quality of steel products had considerably improved.—Reuter.

### Another Record Wool Price

Melbourne, Nov. 15.  
Two more world records in wool prices were established on the second day of the Geelong Sales when Merino lamb's wool jumped 27 pence from Tuesday's record to 352 pence per pound.

French buyers established the world record for nine Merino wool, paying 264 pence per pound for four bales. Many lots were realised well over 200 pence.—United Press.

### Grain Prices

Chicago, Nov. 15.  
Prices of grain futures here closed today as follows:—  
Wheat—price per bushel.  
Spot ..... 2.24  
December ..... 2.29-2.29½  
March (1951) ..... 2.33½  
May ..... 2.33½  
July ..... 2.26½  
Corn  
Spot ..... 1.64½  
December ..... 1.63¾-1½  
Rye  
December ..... 1.54  
May (1951) ..... 1.61  
Oats  
December ..... 96½-1½  
March (1951) ..... 96¾-1½  
New York flour—per 200 lb. sack, \$12.40.—United Press.

### Immediate Aid For Spain

Washington, Nov. 15.  
The Marshall Plan Administration announced today that aid for Spain under the \$62,500,000 plan approved by Congress would get under way immediately.

The Economic Co-operation Administration said that the United States Export-Import Bank would be the operating agency for the loan through procedures to be worked out between the ECA, the Export-Import Bank and the State Department, under the direction of President Truman.

The ECA announcement dispensed of speculation that President Truman, who expressed his disapproval of the proposed loan when it was before Congress, might impound or freeze the funds voted by Congress.—Reuter.

### Rubber Futures In Singapore

Singapore, Nov. 15.  
Prices in the rubber futures market here closed today as follows:—

Number 1 rubber, per lb. 199-200  
November ..... 199-200  
Number 1 rubber, December 191-192  
Number 1 rubber, January (1951) ..... 181-182  
Number 2 rubber, November 195-196  
Number 3 rubber, November 191-192  
Number 4 rubber, November 187-188  
Spot rubber, unbled ..... 207-208  
Black crepe ..... 174-176  
No. 1 pale crepe ..... 205-210  
—United Press.

### Cotton Hits A New Peak

New York, Nov. 15.

Cotton futures opened steady and closed strong. Nearby December delivery in the final rush of general buying soared to 42.93 cents a pound, a new 30-year peak. March delivery also hit a new seasonal at 42.60.

Prices closed today as follows:—

Spot ..... 43.80  
December ..... 42.80-42.93  
March (1951) ..... 42.64-42.60  
May ..... 42.09-42.10  
July ..... 41.48-41.49  
October ..... 36.85-36.90  
December ..... 36.50  
March (1952) ..... 36.28 nominal  
New Orleans cotton futures closed at:  
Spot ..... 42.68  
December ..... 42.64  
March (1951) ..... 42.41-42.42  
May ..... 41.99  
July .....  
October ..... 20.70 bid  
December ..... 36.08 bid  
March (1952) .....  
—United Press.

### Export Permit Order

Buenos Aires, Nov. 15.

The Ministry of Economy today ordered all cotton and wool exporters to obtain export permits, effective immediately.—United Press.

### STANDARD BRIDGE

By M. Harrison-Gray

Dealer: East.  
North-South game.

N 10 8 6 4  
S 10 8 5 4  
W 10 7 6  
E 9 5  
N 7 3 2  
S 4 3 2  
W 10 8 4 2  
E 9 5  
N 10 8 4 2  
S 10 8 5 4 2  
W 10 8 4 2  
E 9 5

East's final contract was a good one, but the cards lay badly. He bid One Heart, South Two Clubs and West Two Hearts. East now tried Two Spades. South bid Three Clubs and West passed. East was strong enough for a second try with Three Diamonds, suggesting shortage in Clubs, and West mustered the courage to jump to Four Hearts. South started badly by leading ♠K and ♠A. East ruffed and led ♠6 to dummy's ♠9. North won and returned a trump to ♠J, and the Diamond finesse lost to South who shifted to ♠Q. East could now discard a Spade in dummy on ♠A and cross-ruff the hand for 10 tricks. The contract is beaten if South leads ♠3 at trick 2, as he can play ♠A after winning with ♠K and North discard ♠7.

London Express Service.

### BACKGROUNDS:

Douglas MacArthur No. 11

By MELVIN K. WHITELEATHER & NORMAN MYERS



At Vera, Mexico, there were three locomotives that General Funston wanted to capture behind Mexican lines. MacArthur volunteered. He dressed as a native peon, passed through the Mexican lines and got the locomotives. By chance, he encountered and matched wits with the slippery German agitator, Franz von Papen.

In 1916, MacArthur was named to the General Staff as a major. Secretary of War Newton D. Baker gave him a new job—press censor. Conservatives in the War Department were shocked when he encouraged reporters to write about everything that did convey important information to the enemy.

He held twice-daily conferences with the press and talked affably. Traditionally, the press censor was a bungler plugged into the information barrel. A reporter wrote: "Major MacArthur is recognised by his fellow officers as being one of the most capable young officers in the United States Army."

But with war with Germany approaching, Major MacArthur became restless. There was not enough action for a MacArthur in the censorship job. Secretary of War, Baker, who held him in high esteem, consented to shift him to the then forming 42nd division. His rank was upped from major to colonel.



# BRITAIN'S FAR EAST POLICIES

*Prime Objective: To Help An Early Return To Peace*

## Plan For Economic Aid To Be Divulged Soon

London, Nov. 15.

Britain's prime objective in the Far East and, above all, in her relations with China, remained to do everything possible to help an early return to more peaceful conditions.

### MARGARET TRUMAN ROMANCE?

Washington, Nov. 15.

Margaret Truman had romance rumours flying again today after one of her boy friends turned up at a Blair House dinner for Mrs Perle Mesta.

Marvin Braverman, a Washington lawyer who has dated Margaret for several years, was among the guests when President and Mrs Truman entertained at a formal dinner for the visiting United States Minister to Luxembourg.

Margaret often takes time off from her concert tour to attend Presidential functions. But never before has one of her dates turned up for so exclusive an occasion. The dinner was limited to 18, including the Trumans, Secretary of State and Mrs Acheson, Defence Secretary and Mrs Marshall and Chief Justice and Mrs Vinson were among the guests.

Braverman is a longtime friend of Mrs Mesta as well as of the Trumans.

The popular young bachelor gave a party for the visiting lady diplomat last Sunday at one of the capital's biggest hotels. Most of social and official Washington was in attendance. Mrs Truman was there, but Margaret did not make it.

Margaret who insists at that she prefers a career to marriage, has laughed off rumours of romance with the 42-year-old lawyer before. She says they are just good friends. But he has been her escort increasingly often during Washington evenings this autumn.

Braverman formerly worked for the Reconstruction Finance Corporation but now has his own private law practice.

Margaret has a tight television and concert schedule lined up this winter. She will be back next week for Thanksgiving and a luncheon the Trumans are giving for Crown Prince Olav and Princess Martha of Norway. — United Press.

### Korea Action

(Continued from Page 1)

the North Koreans forming a screening force.

It was officially estimated that about 27,000 Chinese troops were in action on the Chongchon River front.

British patrols moved quietly today through Pakchon, scene of recent heavy fighting eight miles north of the river, and pushed 1,000 yards beyond without meeting any enemy.

Troops of the United States 1st Cavalry Division were reported to have occupied equally peacefully the trouble spots of of Wonni and Yongbyon, a few miles to right.

The American Seventh Infantry Division was meeting moderate opposition on the eastern coast in a drive said to be aimed at the Manchurian border 30 miles to the north.

American Marines took Hagaru, at the southern tip of the Chosin Reservoir, further inland, after a seven-mile advance. — Reuter.

Lord Henderson, Joint Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, said this tonight. On Korea, he said, "Our task is to bring hostilities to an end as early as possible and to assist in setting up an independent, democratic Korea."

Lord Henderson also referred to Tibet, voicing Britain's support for the stand which India has taken.

His actual words on this subject were, "The British Government fully support the attitude of the Indian Government in regard to the invasion of Tibet by Chinese troops."

He said that in a few days the Government would publish the plan for economic development of South and South-East Asia. He thought it was both realistic and practical.

Speaking in the House of Lords in the course of a debate there, Lord Henderson also commented on Western European defence.

#### NOT SO REMOTE

He said there was "some reason to believe" that a general agreement on how Germany could contribute to Western European defence was "not so remote" as it seemed at the end of the recent Washington Atlantic Pact talks.

He said that the British Government was confident that a settlement would be found on how Germany make her contribution and that integrated forces under a Supreme Commander would be produced.

"The problem before us", he said, "is to try to bring about some rapprochement between the views of the North Atlantic Powers who are prepared to discuss the American plan and those of the French plan and to reach a general agreement on how the German forces can be set up."

#### BRITAIN'S ATTITUDE

The Defence Minister, Mr Emanuel Shinwell, defended today Britain's objections to the French plan for a European army expressed at last month's Atlantic Pact Ministers' conference in Washington.

He told the House of Commons today that it raised political difficulties, which would mean a great delay in setting up an integrated Atlantic Pact force to defend Western Europe.

But, as the Minister was making his statement, Deputies of the North Atlantic Council, meeting here, were reported to be working towards a compromise on the deadlock which has arisen over German rearmament.

Diplomatic circles believe that this may take the shape of allowing France to go ahead with her plan for a European army with German units—but without Britain.

Mr Shinwell said that every one at the Washington talks had recognised the importance of Germany making some contribution to the common defence of the West.

#### SAFEGUARDS

But all were equally firm that adequate safeguards must be devised to prevent a resurgence of German militarism.

He welcomed recognition in the French plan of the necessity to use German forces. But it seemed to raise a number of far-reaching political decisions which the countries involved might not at this stage be ready to make.

Consideration of the plan, would, therefore, involve great

delay in setting up the integrated force under a supreme commander which all North Atlantic countries regarded as the next step for the defence of Europe.

Britain's view was that the United States proposals for incorporating German units up to a division in strength in the integrated force would have been a sound basis for discussion. — Reuter.

### Fire Raid Wipes Out Hoeryong

Tokyo, Nov. 16.

Fire-bombing Super-forts completely wiped out the North Korean border city of Hoeryong as a supply and communications centre in a 30-plane strike at noon on Wednesday, the Air Force said today as U.N. planes roared out again this morning.

Huge wind-whipped fires were started by 45,000 incendiary bombs which the B-29s poured into the city in a 11-minute raid and neutralised it as a supply centre, reports from Okinawa- and Japan-based B-29s said. — United Press.

### CHINESE LODGE A "PROTEST"

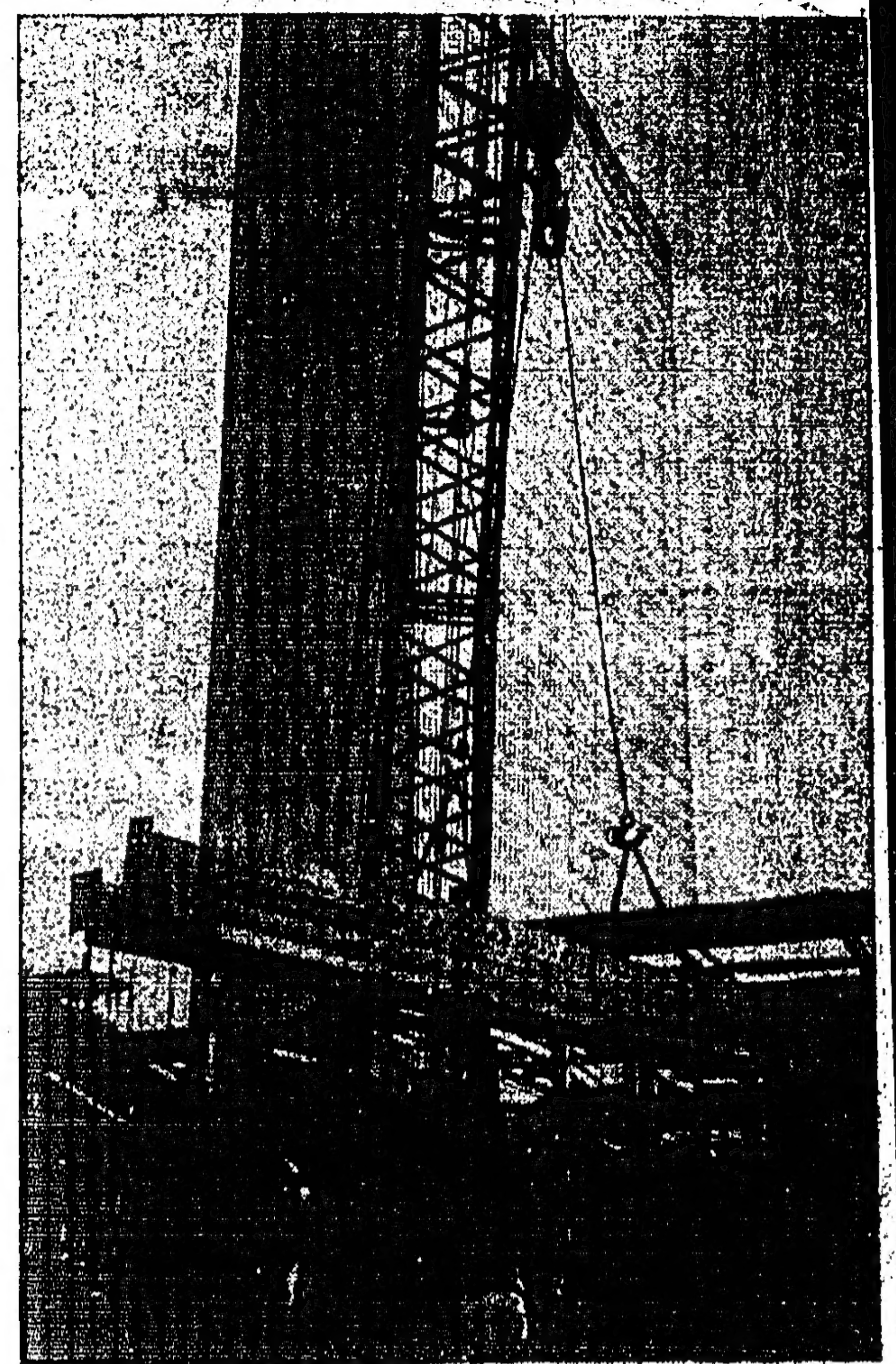
San Francisco, Nov. 15.

Peking Radio reported tonight that all Shanghai newspapers carried commentaries "condemning the British Government which prevented the calling of the second World Peace Congress in Sheffield".

According to the broadcast, the Sin Wen Jih Pao described Britain as fearing "peace as an owl fears daylight". It added that "all Imperialist aggressors are like that".

The broadcast also reported that the following message of protest had been sent to Mr Clement Attlee, the British Prime Minister, by "popular organisations" in China.

"By preventing the second World Peace Congress from being held in Sheffield, you have without any reason brushed aside the will of the peace-loving peoples throughout the world. Your action is contrary to the security interests of all humanity. There is not the slightest difference between this base and shameless act of yours and crimes committed by American warmongers. With deepest indignation, we lodge this solemn protest with you." — Reuter.



Rapid advances have been made in work on the UN World Headquarters site in Manhattan. Workmen are unloading an eight-ton crane load of steel columns and beams from a nearby truck, to celebrate the fifth year of the United Nations Charter.

### German Rearmament Negotiations

Paris, Nov. 15.

There was no reason to be pessimistic about the chances of reconciling the French and American views about German rearmament, the French Foreign Minister, M. Robert Schuman, told the Foreign Affairs Commission of the National Assembly today.

He said the negotiations on the subject between the Atlantic Pact deputies in London were proceeding well.

M. Schuman told the Commission that the French position would be energetically defended, but "the discussion has introduced technical aspects which the National Assembly did not envisage when it voted approval of the Pleven Plan."

This was taken by the members of the Commission to indicate that the French Government was approaching the discussion of the German rearmament problem in a much less rigid spirit now than that reported to have been displayed by the Defence Minister, M. Jules Moch, in New York two weeks ago. — Reuter.

### ECA Asks APC For A Refund

Washington, Nov. 15.

The ECA said today that it had asked the Asiatic Petroleum Corporation to refund \$43,851 because of "overpricing" of ECA-financed aviation petrol and fuel oil shipped from the East Indies to China in 1949. — United Press.

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By Order of the Board of Directors.

H. de LUZ,

Secretary.

Hong Kong, 7th Nov., 1950.

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